

The Regular meeting of the Town Assembly of the Village of Arden was convened at 7:40 PM on June 25, 1990, Chairman William Press presiding.

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In Attendance were:

William Press	Irene O'Connor	Patricia Press
Rae Gerstine	Pete Renzetti	Joan Colgan
Sally Hamburger	Frank Young	Marianne B. Cignalia
W. H. Vandever	Eugene Shaw	B. Knott
Ruth Bean	Lou Bean	Jim McCarty
Aaron Hamburger	Tom Colgan	Bernie Brachman
Ethel Monfort	John Austin	Lee Starr
Paul Thompson	Leon Tanzer	Shaul Gladstone
Steven Threefoot	Rick Rothrock	David Burslem
Peggy Aumack	Lew Aumack	Connie Wright McKinney
Robin McKinney NV	Russ McKinney	Rowena Austin
Art Hurwitz	Maryellen S. Jobson	Bob Wynn NV
Matt O'Connor	Mike Curtis	Susan Rohrbach
Edward Rohrbach	Lanier Colgan	Brain Barbehenn
Dane Miller	John Dossett	Barbara S. Fenske
Jean K. Brachman	Mary Brent Whipple	James Schwaber
Andrew Gallagher	Cecilia Vore	Carolyn B. Liberman
Cy Liberman	Tim Colgan	Cal Colgan NV
Bonnie Burslem	Kathleen Keiss	W. Alfred Keiss
John Demsey	Elizabeth Varley	June Kleban
Chris Demsey	Clara Dossett	Ruth Panella
Larry Walker	Maria Burslem	Alan Burslem
Matt Stearns	Jannie Stearns	Bea Phillips

Chairman Press opened the proceedings with Agenda Clarification this is an open forum for residents to briefly express their concerns to the Assembly.

- * Joan Colgan had a suggestion of a sign at the entrance to Arden.
- * Lew Aumack expressed concerns on where Arden stands on issues such as drug and alcohol abuse centers, bus depots, trash burning, womans correctional centers or any futher development in the New Castle County area.
- * Tom Colgan is re-cycling gallon milk jugs to develop a use in marine industry, he feels re-cycling is very important and time to think of involving our garbage contractor in Arden to do this.
- * Connie McKinney thanked both candidates in the run-off election and would have liked to have both on her committee !
- *Shaul Gladstone would welcome any ideas on resolving the problem of what the village would do if the Budget failed due to insufficient voter participation.

Minutes were approved: Addition to those present in March Assembly were: Cy Liberman and Pat Liberman, Marianne Cinaglia, Rowena Austin and John Austin.

Communications:

The Town Chairman asked for a motion to continue with the New Castle County Department of Community Development & Housing program - motion was seconded and passed.

Run-Off Election was taken at this time for the Buzz Ware Village Center Committee and the winner was John Demsey.

Committee Reports following

The Board of Assessors has the responsibility of fixing the rates to be used in determining "the full rental value" which each Arden leaseholder pays for the use of land under the terms of the lease. In filling that responsibility the board has used the method developed and used during the 1980's by previous boards of assessors. This includes the use of a formula to set the "full rental value" of all of the lands of the Arden Trust, and the use of a set of rates to assign to each leasehold a share of the total.

In using this well-accepted method we are mindful that Henry George, father of the Single Tax movement, wrote: "the tax upon land values falls only upon those who receive from society a peculiar and valuable benefit and upon them in proportion to the benefit they receive." We have tried, in fixing the various rates and the location factors, to be conscious of the benefits being received (or in some cases injuries being suffered) by the lease-holders.

We also agree that land value is a creation of the community and that rents must be collected for the use of the community, and in sufficient quantity to satisfy the needs of the community. We note that a former trustee stated that one yard stick for determining rental value is our "community standard of living": we believe that standard is set in the annual referendum on village expenditures.

The full rental value has three elements;

1. The amount required to pay the county and school taxes levied on the Trust by outside taxing authorities.
2. The amount required to maintain the community standard of living as indicated by recent referenda.
3. The amount needed to maintain a prudent reserve to insure the community freedom in considering the next referendum on community expenditures.

After determining the full rental value of all the lands of the Trust (which are limited to the leaseholds of Arden) the assessors turn to the relative values of individual leaseholds, based on their size and other considerations. Those values are affected by the general location of the leasehold in Arden, by the size of the lot, by the uses permitted on the leasehold, and by certain specific location factors. We have set a General Location Rate, a Lot Size Adjustment Rate, a Multiple Dwelling Rate, a Commercial Rate and a set of specific location factors.

The General Location Rate, called Rate A, reflects a value all leaseholds share. This value is derived from being located in a fully developed village with an active community life and many facilities and services available to all. These include paved roads, sanitary sewers, our greens and forests, public utilities, trash collection service and the Village Center.

The Multiple Dwelling Rate, called Rate B, reflects the added value of those privileged use leaseholds which are permitted to accommodate--with or without legal standing with New Castle County--more than one dwelling unit on each leasehold. In applying this rate, we define a dwelling unit as an independent living facility for one or more persons, containing permanent cooking facilities (not a hot plate) and other permanent facilities for living, sleeping, eating and sanitation. Existence of a kitchen is an essential ingredient of a dwelling unit.

The Lot size Adjustment Rate, called Rate C, reflects the fact that large lots have less rental value per 1,000 square feet than smaller lots. This fact was derived from a 1971 study of lot values updated by a 1987 professional appraisal and a separate study of market values. This rate further reflects the fact that most Arden lots are restricted to being the site of a single dwelling. The portion of the lot that accommodates that dwelling is more valuable than any portion of the leasehold that exceeds that minimum area required for one dwelling.

The Commercial Rate, called the Rate D, reflects the added value of a leasehold permitted to accommodate commercial as opposed to residential use. This rate currently applies only to Lot #88.

The Specific Location Factors make adjustments to appropriate leasehold rental values in accordance with uniformly applicable rules.

(The report continues with Specific Location Rates and the computation of the full rental value of the Arden Trust lands for 1990-1991, and a complete copy is on file and can be obtained by calling the Assessors or the Town Secretary.)

Discussion: Mr. Gallagher a resident of Sherwood Green felt the surcharge for living on Sherwood Green should be removed. He did not see any advantage of the Green location because of heavy flow of traffic generated from the Montessori School and Club activity, littering on leaseholds around the Green and some tenants unsightly view of a dumpster at the back of the Green. Mr. Schwaber who does not live on the Sherwood Green, felt it would be advantageous to have the use of the playground equipment and a pleasure to see children at play on the Green.

Assessors report accepted. (see * page 4)

Audit Committee Report: John Austin

The Audit Committee has reviewed the accounting procedures currently in use by the trustees and Village of Arden and found them in accordance with accepted accounting practices. We have also reviewed the independent auditors report submitted by the CPA firm of Cocoran & Company for the fiscal year ended March 25, 1990 and 1989. We conclude that this audit fairly presents the assets, liabilities, fund balances income and expenses of Arden. Following is a summary of this audit information with copies of the balance sheet and income statement.

Total assets and total liabilities and fund balances are in balance: \$293,235.

Total Income:	\$277,268
Total expense:	\$234, 167
Fund balance	
beginning of year:	\$90,123
end of year:	\$133,224
Net excess:	\$43,101

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THE 1990 BOARD OF ASSESSORS

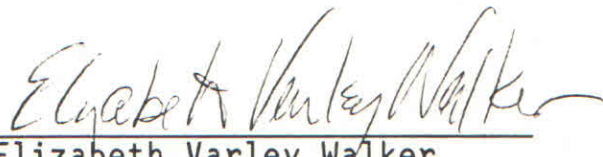

 Aaron S. Hamburger, Chairman


 James Schwaber


 Cy Liberman, Secretary


 Eugene S. Shaw


 Bernard Brachman


 Elizabeth Varley Walker

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 John Dossett

**I DO NOT AGREE WITH, NOR HAVE I VOTED FOR, THE 1991-1992 "FULL RENTAL VALUE" RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS. I BELIEVE THE METHOD OF ASSESSMENT IS INHERENTLY INEQUITABLE BECAUSE THE GEORGISTS' PRINCIPLES OF A SINGLE TAX SYSTEM DO NOT, AND CANNOT, WORK AS LONG AS ARDEN USES THE CURRENT METHOD TO ASSESS TOTAL RENTAL VALUES ALREADY SUBSTANTIALLY DETERMINED BY THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY TAXING AUTHORITY.

This committee has been very active since the March election. At its first meeting on April 3, Sally Hamburger was elected chairman and a future meeting schedule of April 30, June 7, July 19, Sept 6, Oct 10 and Nov 8 was set.

We decided to :

- *Establish the "Friends of Arden Archives". A membership group of the many people who help us with our cause - with expertise, funding, donations and moral support.

- *Design a logo, incorporating the Arden dogwood design, to be used on stationery and membership cards. Connie McKinney is working on this project and sample letterheads are in hand.

On April 11, Sally, Joan Colgan and Jean Brachman met with Dr. Paul Hensley, the Archivist for Winterthur. Dr. Hensley gave us valuable, down-to-earth advice on how to proceed. His main points were:

- *Our first priority must be to gather our materials together in a secure room so we can begin the process of separating, protecting and cataloguing items. Mold is the #1 enemy.

- *Begin the fund raising process by consulting the foundation directory at the library.

- *Formulate a collecting policy.

- *Work towards funding consultations with a conservation specialist.

- *Invest in the proper preservation and storage materials.

- *Invest in a computer for efficient cataloguing.

The committee set to work immediately to work toward these goals. We sent for materials catalogues and compiled a list of appropriate foundations. We alerted all residents, via the Arden Page, to the danger of mold. We cannot stress strongly enough the importance of removing archival material from your attics and basements to prevent further deterioration. The committee now has official access to the Delaware State Surplus Equipment Depot at the Governor Bacon Health Center in Delaware City.

The most exciting news is that Don Holcomb is building us a room of our own. Don is converting his garage on Mill Lane for the Archives use. Don also has a lot of archival material, his own and Bill Frank's, that we will be working on. Guess who is the brightest star in "Friends of Arden Archives ?"

On June 7, the committee met with Tom Colgan and Cy Liberman who shared their expertise on fund raising. Per their advice, we will be making up a long-term budget and drafting a fund raising letter to be sent to all Arden residents, past and present, politicians and area businesses.

The month of October will be a particularly busy Archives month.

- *On Sunday, October 14, we plan to remount the exhibit of October, 1989, for the purpose of fund raising.

- *October 18-20. We have been invited to speak at an archives conference at Winterthur.

The conference organizer wanted to know if we had any stories, anecdotes or theatrical presentations we might share. Our Town Assembly turns have not been in vain. How about a chorus from Peter Grubb and the tale of The Old Men's Club.

October 25-28. Committee Representatives will be attending a conference of the National Historic Communal Societies Association in Pittsfield, MA. We are now members of this organization which is headquartered at the University of Southern Indiana. The purpose of the association is to provide a forum for communication and support among diverse intentional communities. The October meeting will be held at the historic Shaker settlements in Mt. Lebanon, NY and Hancock, MA. We especially look forward to the housing accommodations being provided by the Sufis at The Abode of the Message in the Shaker Village.

We will let you know when the Archive work-room becomes available. Meanwhile, please move everything to a cool, dry area and let us know what you have that you would like to see included in the Arden Museum.

Our committee has several items to report tonight.

On Saturday, April 7, Arden children and adults met to make Easter baskets with gifts for some older adults in the three Ardens. Barbara Fenske helped to organize this event. Also on Saturday, April 7, Lew Aumack taught an introductory jewelry making class and we had a chance to make gemstone necklaces. Since then, Lew has held additional classes on June 7, 13 and 20 to introduce some basic jewelry making concepts. Thank you to Lew from our committee for the fine overview of various jewelry making techniques.

On Saturday, May 26, we held our first, we hope of many, travelogues. A wonderful slide presentation was given by a new resident of Arden, Mary Jane Gladnick, about her 3½ year stay in Sierra Leone as a Peace Corp worker. She also brought beautiful clothing and some taped music to share with us. On Saturday, June 2, Warren Hoffman gave a wonderful description of his trek through the Himalayas this past October. Showing great aplomb after the VCR mangled his tape, he most knowledgeably answered the many questions we had about his remarkable journey to see Mt. Everest. Many thanks to Ruth Bean for arranging these travelogues. We would love to do more of this kind of programming, please come forward if you would like to share your experiences with us; Ruth Bean already has some travelogues lined up for this fall.

On this past Sunday, June 24, we held a party to honor 17 of our "Over 80's Neighbors". Room 4 was filled with wonderful food and great company. Many thanks to the volunteers who made up the "Over 80's" committee and for Barbara Fenske's enthusiasm about planning this event and making it such a success.

The ACRA summer morning program began today, June 25, and runs until August 55; additional afternoon and evening ACRA summer events will be held at the BWVC as well. Please note that the children's play is August 3 & 4, afternoon bingo lunches are planned for July 14 & August 11, and evening pizza parties for teens are on July 20 and August 10.

Our committee was asked to investigate the possibility of establishing a BWVC maintenance reserve fund for use after the Wilmington Montessori Association lease expires in 1996 and report our recommendation to this town meeting. We have decided that we would rather gather more information before making a recommendation to the town. We are currently drafting a questionnaire that we will be distributing to all residents of the three Ardens. The purpose of the questionnaire is to find out in greater detail the opinions of residents for future uses of the BWVC. This questionnaire will be distributed on August 24 with a mail-in response envelope or drop off box at the BWVC. For those residents who do not respond within a week, we are organizing a door-to-door canvassing effort to insure that we have as many returns as possible. We hope that by asking all the residents to consider the future uses, costs, organization, etc. of the BWVC, we, as a committee, and the village itself, will have a clearer picture of what our community wants and needs from this building and we can plan accordingly. After our next meeting on July 3, we will be asking various residents to review the questionnaire; if you would like to see a copy now or feel strongly about certain questions you would like us to ask, please do not hesitate to ask any of our committee members for a copy. We will be glad to discuss your suggestions at our next meeting. The questionnaire will be finalized on August 7 so please contact us before then.

We have purchased two more adjustable tables for use in Room 4. The BWVC phone has been repaired; it is now mounted on the back wall of the stage and an ACRA Phone Directory is nearby for reference. Thank you to Pete Renzetti for installing new "industrial strength" hinges on the front door; locking the door is definitely much easier now.

There have been 31 meetings and 8 special events since the March town meeting. Please call Ruth Bean to schedule in advance; if she is unavailable, please call Connee McKinney. We welcome your ideas for future programming and thank you for your continued support.

Current activities: We are in the process of gathering budgetary needs for the 1991-92 fiscal year, to be reported as a proposed budget at the Assembly meeting in September. We will drawing information from the financial statement, the Assessors report, and individual committee requests as detailed below.

Request for committee budgetary needs: The following committees will be (or have been) contacted concerning their proposed expenditures for the upcoming fiscal year. PLAYGROUND:SAFETY:REGISTRATION:COMMUNITY PLANNING:VILLAGE CENTER:LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: ARCHIVES:

In the past, the amount budgeted for these committees has been based primarily on the previous year's budget. In order to improve our overall understanding of committee expenditures and our budgeting process, we will be requesting some additional information from each of these committees this year. Specifically, we would like some information of how previously budgeted funds have spent and how requested funds will be used.

Computer Resources for Village and Committee Business:We have recently discussed with the Trustees and with the Advisory Committee, the possibility of using a computer to organize Village and Committee records. Based on these discussions we propose that interested and affected residents form a Committee to pursue this idea with the aim of including funds for a computer in the September Budget Committee Report. Issues to be addressed are: How would the computer be used and by whom?

Where should it be located?

How to provide security against theft and loss of data?

What type of computer would meet our overall needs?

Do we really want to buy one?

Civic Committee Report: Samuel L. Bean

Since taking over in April the present Civic Committee has had to keep services running while we got organized and learned our individual jobs. In addition we have had to make certain that larger jobs which require time to process are kept moving so there will not be any delay in doing those things that must be done. We have, in other words, had to prepare a one year plan while actually carrying it out. What is emerging in addition to the one year plan is a two to four plan covering things that logically will take longer to carry out. We are determined to maintain and improve this village and to spend wisely those funds that are set aside for this purpose. At the end for our first quarter we will have a good idea of our present spending rate and we can make sure that the fiscal year and the budget run out at about the same time.

Some of the things that have been done include the special trash pick-up with over twenty-five tons of trash pick-up at a cost of over \$1800. I think this amount of trash is a record. Road potholes have been patched. About a half of the 42000 pounds of quarry waste we bought has been put on ruts and holes at the margins of our roads. A lot of branches that hang over the roads have been trimmed to permit passage by garbage trucks and others. Tree branches on various greens have been trimmed to facilitate mowing. We are pleased with service Bob Osborne has provided. He seems to have a good crew. They co-operated when we asked that the greens be mowed early for the ACRA kick-off picnic. Six speed humps have been installed. We are in the process of getting quotes on three road intersection repairs. These are Inn Lane at Cherry, Hillside at Millers and Orleans at the Highway. Extensive removal of dead trees and other work was done at the Field Theater. More work is to be done here. Arrangements have been made to carry out work on trees on common land that threaten leaseholds. A large number of street signs are soon to be ordered and installed to replace the many missing ones. In the Memorial Garden we have repaired the dam where it washed out. We have also cleaned up and pruned around the old cistern. We think our preoccupation in the near future should be with drainage work. We have in mind four projects. This includes water running down Harvey through the Memorial Garden and through three adjacent leaseholds to the brook. Our aim is to get the state to correct the problem. Toward that end, Harold Monfort is preparing sketches that show what we have and what we need to do to correct the problem. We need a gutter

almost the full length of Woodland Lane. It will deliver the water to the ditch that takes it to Naamans Creek. This should correct much of the problem on Woodland Lane. This is a major project which could easily cost \$12-15,000. It should be considered for next year. The time until we are ready can be used to talk and think it through thoroughly. At the point where water from the Green enters Naamans Creek just north of the Renzetti leasehold there is a serious erosion problem. Here we are considering a stone lined ditch with a small bridge to take a relocated path over this ditch. Obviously this problem must be corrected before we can consider the Woodland Lane project. It may be possible to do this job this year with existing resources. The fourth drainage project that we have in mind is the installation of a drainage gutter on the north side of Orleans Road from Harvey to Millers Road with the water delivered directly to the catch basin at the head of the St. Martins Lane storm drain. Much of the water from Harvey makes the turn at Orleans and ends up on the leasehold at the corner of Orleans and Millers. This side of the road is constantly washed out and wet. When the Memorial Garden drainage is corrected then we can consider installing a swale at Harvey and Orleans that would send much of this water down Harvey and in effect take some of the load off the St. Martins storm drain. At this time we do not know if we can manage this job this year. We can at least get quotes for it and the Woodland Lane project.

In addition to the major drainage work we can expect in the next two to three years to have to repair several larger sections of our roads. We want to identify these sections and get estimates of the costs for the budgeting process.

Playground Committee Report: Larry Walker

Since the last meeting, two equipment inspections have been made, and all of the equipment is in safe condition.

The Committee received from Ed Rohrbach a letter in which he alerted the Committee about what he felt was an unsafe condition in the baseball backstop on the Village Green. A thorough inspection of the backstop was made, and it appears that there is a serious deterioration in one of the main cast iron support pipes. Water apparently rained in the top of the pipe, and later it froze inside, causing the pipe to split open for a few inches. The pipe itself appears to be firm, and it is supported by welded cross bracing. It is not a condition that is dangerous, however, it is an unsafe condition that should be properly corrected within a year. The backstop itself is very old, and no one seems to know when it was installed. It has been rebuilt several times, and it appears that the entire unit should be removed and replaced. The cost of the removal and replacement will be in excess of \$1,000, which is the entire Committee Budget for this year. The Committee will ask the Town through the Budget Committee for additional funds to cover the project costs, and it would be scheduled for completion during the Spring of 1991.

The Committee accepted the resignation of Lou Bean, who has assumed the Chairmanship of the Civic Committee, which is where he plans to direct his energies. Ted Heymann will be resigning from this Committee, because he is moving from Arden. The two runners up in the March election will be contacted, and appropriate action will be taken subsequent to the approval of the Town Chairman.

Community Planning Committee Report: Ruth Bean

We met on April 19th when Russ McKinney was elected secretary and Ruth Bean chairperson.

On May 16th we met with the group revising the Arden Book. Progress is being made but we will need to request funds to print the book. We will request an appropriate amount from the Budget Committee and hope that the book will thus be available by next April. At this time it is not yet clear whether the two Ardens wish to support the printing.

The Memorial Garden Clean-up was a great success thanks to Ethel Monfort's planning and her phone calls to recruit workers. The people who came worked hard, cleaning, pruning and also planting a number of trees and shrubs to take the place of ones which have died.

The Spring Woods Clean-up was again most successful and also memorable in that all communities on the banks of the creek were involved to some degree. Once again Cecilia Vore did a great job of organizing and carrying out a massive clean-up in spite of inclement weather.

We have kept in close touch with other committees, Civic, Safety and BWVC in particular and have suggested co-sponsoring an information meeting in the Fall to help leaseholders solve some of the drainage problems which occur on the leaseholds.

At our June 6th meeting we agreed to approach Aaron Hamburger with a request that the Civic Committee examine Frank Akutowicz's report on Trash Management and Recycling with a view toward getting such a system set up in Arden.

The Safety Committee was approached re: enforcing the parking ordinance # 13. The Committee agreed on condition that the Town approves and that the ordinance is appropriately revised.

I therefore, propose a revision of ordinance # 13 section 4, to read:

The Safety Committee will enforce this ordinance and shall issue a warning to violaters at least 30 days before prosecuting them in the Courts of Delaware.

We received a lengthy and detailed letter from Deldot in response to our letter requesting a study of conditions on Harvey Road, between I95 and Marsh Road. They are planning to replace some signs and to add some cautionary ones. They are still studying the intersection of Veale and Harvey. Here are some excerpts from the letter (complete letter on file).

"Another concern you have is the posted speed limit and the speed of vehicles traveling Harvey Road. A check of our records and an on-site review revealed that the speed limit is posted correctly except for a "Speed Limit 35" sign east of Meadow Lane. This sign should read "Speed Limit 30". For your information, the speed limit is 25 M.P.H. from Marsh Road to the Town limits east of Meadow Lane, 30 M.P.H. from the Town limits to Veale Road, and 35 M.P.H. east of Veale Road. The 15 M.P.H. you mention in your letter is an advisory speed limit and pertains to the curve only. This is not an enforceable speed limit. If you are encountering speeding problems along Harvey Road, you should contact the State Police for additional enforcement as this is really the only effective solution to this problem.

We applied stop sign warrants to the intersections mentioned in your letter and found that the criteria needed for 4-way stop conditions was not met. Though visibility is restricted at some intersections, sight distance could be improved by trimming the vegetation on the corners.

We suggest you contact the residents on these properties to arrange for this work as the vegetation is not within state right-of-way. At other intersections including Meadow Lane, visibility is restricted by physical properties of the roadway itself. Major reconstruction of Harvey Road will be needed to improve the safety at these intersections. You may want to consider restricting some of the movements at these intersections in order to reduce conflicts or even establishing some one-way streets

Also, for your information, northbound motorists on Marsh Road making a right turn onto Harvey Road are not making illegal right turns. Both right turns onto Harvey and Sherwood Roads are legal. The question of prohibiting right turns on red at this location has been looked at many times in the past and it was decided to leave the traffic controls as they are now". (End of excerpts)

It is time to nominate another person to the board of CCBOH. Leon Tanzer, regrettably, does not feel he can continue on it. We have approached Cy Liberman, who has agreed and ask that he be appointed by the Town Chairperson. We want to point out also that anyone interested can attend meetings (Lew Aumack will know the schedule and agendas) It would be helpful to know that there are some interested alternates who could be appointed by Mr. Press to stand in for one of our voting representatives when one of them cannot attend an important meeting.

I would like to make a second reading of the amendment to Ordinance #4: Any party who violates this ordinance and/or refuses to remove litter or repair damage in a timely manner shall be subject to a fine of \$50 and the amount of the clean-up.

This committee will not be meeting in July but will next meet on thursday August 30 at 7.30 at the B.W.V.C.

Last year Leon tanzer presented a number of ideas to our committee, all of which have been considered. He has one, suggesting an Arden Flag and Flag-pole which the committee did not feel as strongly about but we believe it should be presented to the Town. We therefore, have asked him to make his own statement.

Subject:

Some randim thoughts on an Arden Flag as reported to Arden Town Assembly June 25, 1990 by Leon Tanzer.

These are personal thoughts. hopefully, input will come from many residents leading to final production of flag, flagpole and necessary accoutrements.

A. Time Frame

The design should be complete in approximately one year. Manufacture and installation of flag and flagpole finished within 2 years.

B. Times when flag would be flown

Arden Fair Day, Acra Opening Day, Henry George Day, certain holidays, e.g. Memorial Day, July 4th, Labor Day, etc. On special occasions - Town picnics, Easter egg hunt etc.

C. Personally, I would like a flag that is gaudy and saucy, a flag with offbeat stimulating colors. A flag that would give one an uplift, fresh ! pert ! perky !

D. Location

I personally think it should be in the vicinity of the Village Center. This location is generally in the center of major activities, especially the Arden Fair.

E. Design

The two designs I submit enable additional flags and pennants to be flown from lanyards. These additional flags can vary from time to time. We ought to let our imagination run wild. These additional flags can consist of "International signal flags" with which we could spell out something different whenever we fly them. We could even run up an array of Arden T-Shirts. The sky's the limit ! (Sketches of design on file).

Registration Committee: Pat Press

As of today there are 405 residents who are eligible to vote. The Registration composed a list of residents for possible members of a Welcoming Committee. Verbal contact has been made and the first nine we were able to reach, have agreed to serve. We plan to meet, offer this group some helpful guidelines, and then they will operate on their own, adding new members and new ideas as they wish.

Legislative Reference Committee Report: Mary Brent Whipple

The meeting schedule for the Legislative Reference Committee will be the second Tuesday after the Advisory Committee meets. For 1990 the Committee will therefore be meeting on Sept 18 and in 1991 January 15 and March 12. Meeting times will be posted at the Buzz Ware Village Center, the Gild Hall and at the Village Green.

At the meeting on May 23rd Elizabeth Walker was named secretary and Mary Brent Whipple was named chair of the Committee. It had been brought to the attention of the LRC at the 3/7/90 Advisory Committee meeting that the Addendum to the Act to Reincorporate (June 1981) needed updating to include new committees and their duties. The 1954 By-Laws of the Town Assembly of Arden mention six standing committees, and the 1967 Act to Reincorporate the Village of Arden lists the Board of Assessors, the Budget Committee and the Registration Committees only.

The January and March 1968 Town Assembly Meetings added the Civic, Community Planning, Safety and Advisory Committees. The duties of the Auditing and Budget Committees were expanded, but there seemed to be an oversight in that the duties of the Auditing Committee were never listed in the 1967 Act to Reincorporate even though they are referred to in the Addendum. The Village Center Committee and the Playground Oversight Committee were established as standing committees in 1973 and 1978 respectively. The Arden Archives Committee and Legislative Reference Committee have been established since the 1981 Addendum to the Act to Reincorporate.

Therefore, the Legislative Reference Committee proposes that the duties and responsibilities of these three committees be added as an Addendum to the Act to Reincorporate.

Safety Committee Report: Elizabeth Varley

The Safety Committee has held two meetings since last Town meeting, and made a tour of the Village checking on traffic control signs. We found several that were obstructed by vegetation and will send letters to the residents whose properties are involved asking them to assist us by pruning the trees or shrubs as needed. If this is not done to our satisfaction, the committee will undertake the pruning themselves.

We will also send out to all residents, via the Arden page in July, a reminder of all the parking ordinances of the village. We hope that this will be sufficient to solve several problems which were brought to our attention. However, we intend to leave reminders on cars which are in violation, and if necessary to call New Castle County Police.

We will be contacting the state highway department about painting crosswalks on Harvey Road, at Orleans Road and possibly at other crossings as well.

We are continuing to have extra police patrols, there have been two since Town Meeting.

Our regular meeting date will be the second wednesday of each month at 8 PM at the Buzz Ware Village Center and any residents are welcome to attend. Our July meeting will be the third Wednesday, July 18.

Advisory Committee Report: Marianne Cinaglia

There was a meeting of the Three Ardens on Thursday, June 7 PM. Those present were: Larry Zimmerman - Ardencroft Chris Cuttance - Ardentown William Press - Arden. Marianne Cignalia and Irene O'Connor.

Items discussed were:

1. Mutual garbage system: good response to this idea.
2. Special Patrol for the 3 Ardens with shared expense.
3. Discussion of being included in and possible sharing of cost of Arden Book.

Dee Curtis is in charge of their Archives Committee and would like to display along with Arden at the fair. Interested in the "Meet the candidate evening" at the Buzz Ware Village Center Monday August 6 at 7:30 pm.

Only a few people called to participate in the Covered Dish Supper. We may try it again some time in the future.

Meeting dates for each committee was received and Secretary will post a 3 month schedule for all committees.

Advance reading - not an ordinance - pass in September.

Move to change the term of the Audit from one year to two years to bring the Committee term in conformance with the majority of the other Arden Committees.

In March 1991, three committee members would be elected. The two residents with the highest number of votes would be elected for 2 years: the resident with the third highest number of votes would serve one year term. In 1992, one member would be elected to a term of two years.

After discussion the Advisory Committee moves that the Town provides an electric typewriter for the Town Secretary.

Cost \$ 483 IBM typewriter: motion approved.

Good and Welfare:

Pat Liberman would like to thank ACRA for the new telephone directory.

New Business:

Bob Wynn asked for clarification on removal of trees from leaseholds.

Shaul Gladstone Trustee: Authorization must be obtained from Trustee as stated in the Lease " and the Lessee agree not to hunt on any of the lands of Arden, or cut timber without written leave from the Trustees".

Motion: Aaron Hamburger

The Town Chairman will appoint a five member committee to propose an appropriate Computer System for Town use, and provide an estimate of cost. Motion approved

Meeting adjourned 10:45 PM.

Irene M. O'Connor Town Secretary.

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